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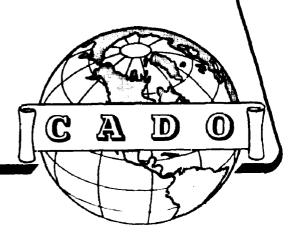
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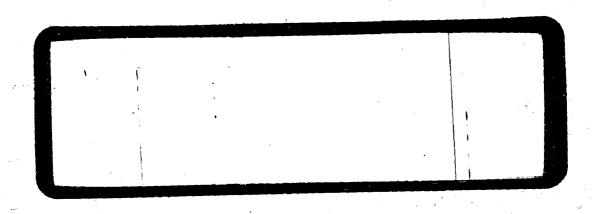
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<u>Purpose:</u> To determine the ultimate strength of a magnesium alloy hydrogressed elevator rib designed for the X^{R} -26 Airplane.

Eurmary: Three specimens of the hydropressed magnesium alloy clevator rib designed for the C3-26 airplane were static lead tested in a like manner. All were made of .025 page AMC 525-F, were identical to size, shape of beaded web cut-cuts, web stiffeners and beaded flanges, but one had a small flange reinforcing angle fastened near the area of the compression reaction attachment. The specimens were loaded at eight specified points with their flanges stabilized laterally at and midway between the load points. The results of the tests were much the same for all specimens: they withstood the application and release of the design yield load without showing permanent set, the ultimate test loads varied only from 120 to 129% of the design ultimate (320 lbs. total), and all failed in a similar manner by crippling of the compression flange near the attachment.

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OBJECT: To determine the static load strength of each of three magnesium allow hydropressed elevator ribs designed for the XB-36 airplane.

<u>DESCRIPTION OF SPECIMEN</u>: The specimens made of .025 gage A.4C52S-H were a beaded flange type with stiffened web and beaded edge cut-outs shown in Fig. 1. No. 1 specimen (Table I) was -7 (with flange reinforcing angle near attachment) and No. 3 was -6, before alteration B was added to the drawing. Spec. No. 2 is the -6 shown in Figure 1.

SET UP AND PROCEDURE: The specimens each in turn were tested in a jig designed to provide load distributed as shown in Figure 3. Lateral restraint on the flanges at and midway between load points was provided. Dial gages were used to measure the deflection of the rib at load points. A dynamometer, turnbuckle arrangement, and a whiffletree were used to apply the loads at the points indicated in Figure 3. The test set up is shown in Figure 2.

Load was applied in increments of 10% of the design ultimate up to the design yield and deflection readings taken as shown in Table I. Following this the load was released to note any permanent set after which the rib was reloaded to failure.

RESULTS: The results of the test are incorporated in Table I.

DISCUSSION: The results of tests on the three specimens followed much the same pattern. No permanent set was noted on any of the specimens after the application and removal of the design yield load of 220 lbs. (total load). The ultimate loads ranged from 400 to 425 lbs. or 120 to 129% of the design ultimate of 330 lbs. (total load). In all the tests a preliminary failure by buckling of web and flange appeared at approximately 110% of the design ultimate load. Final failure was the result of a crippling of the compression flange near the attachment. Figure 4 shows a typical failure.

The flange reinforcing angle incorporated in specimen number one was removed after this specimen had been tested; results from specimens 2 & 3 indicate this angle to be unnecessary.

CONCLUSION: The hydropressed magnesium alloy elevator rib (Ref. 36FTW548) designed for the XB-36 airplane withstood its design yield load without permanent deformation and exceeded its design ultimate load by 20 to 29%. It is considered structurally satisfactory for use on the AB-36 airplane. The reinforcing flange angle (ref. specimen #1) is not necessary.

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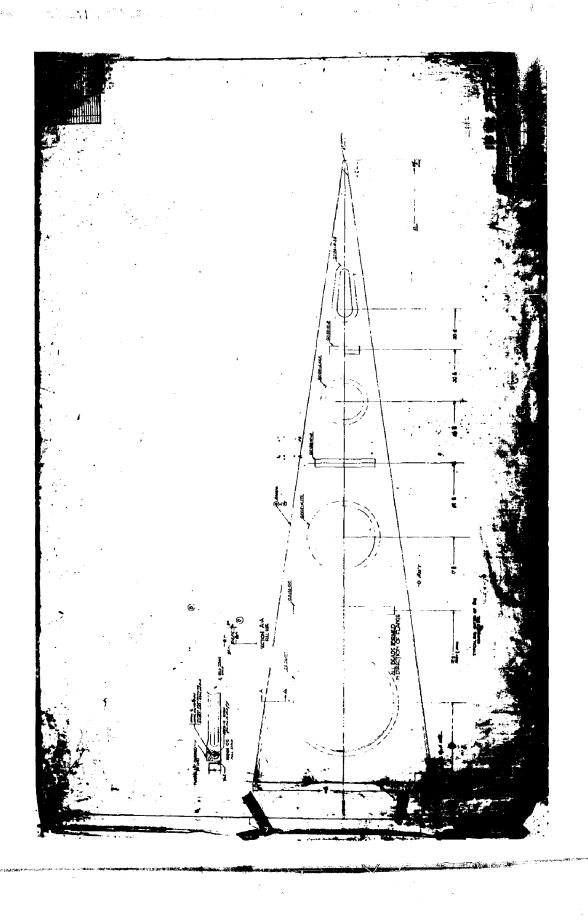
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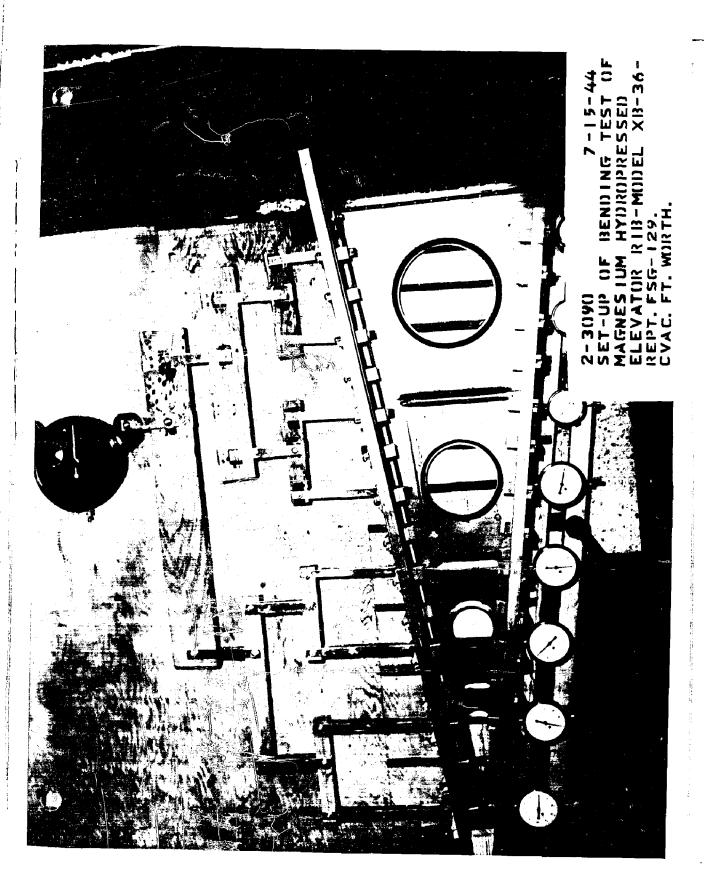
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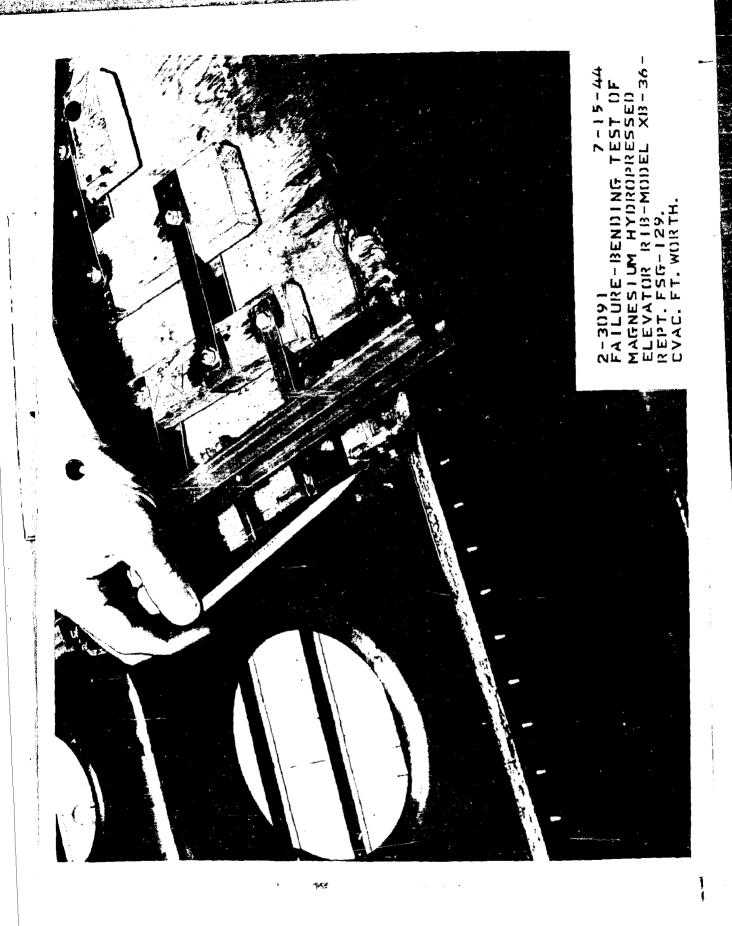
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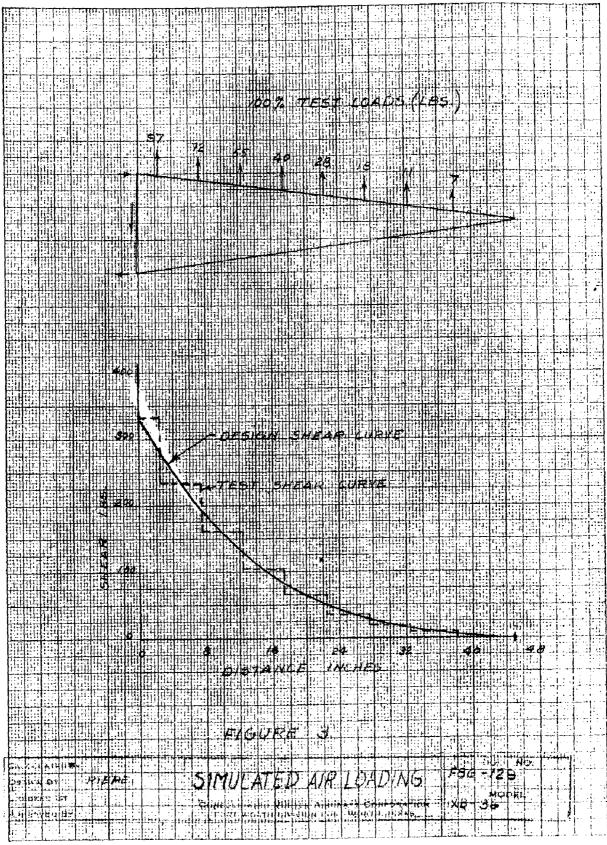
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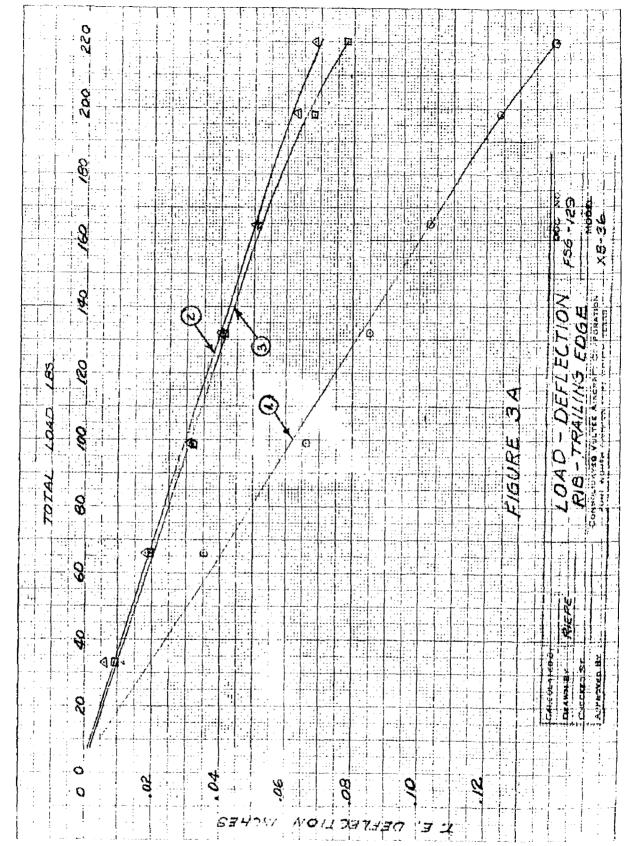
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